# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:496
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BANNING OF EXPLOSIVES
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether Gelatine is being used mostly by the P.W. Naxalites for preparation of explosives; and

(b) the action taken by the Ministry to monitor phasing out of production of Nitro-glycerin based explosives?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

a) Nitro - Glycerine (NG) based explosives are reportedly the preferred choice of extremists and anti social groups.

b) The Government has issued a Notification (No. GSR No.59(E)) on 21.4.2004 prohibiting the possession, sale and use of Nitro-Glycerin based explosives throughout the country with effect from 1.4.2004 under section 6.1(a) of the Explosives Act, 1884.